## House Resolution No. 163

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has distinguished himself through excellence in the workplace; and

Whereas, James A. Treece, an esteemed resident of Kirksville, Missouri, officially retired from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development on January 3, 2002, after more than thirty-one years of exceptional service and dedication; and

Whereas, James Treece has successfully completed the many duties and tasks placed before him throughout his impressive tenure as a Rural Development Specialist with the Kirksville Office that has spanned an incredible eighteen years; and

**Whereas**, since January of 1966, James Treece has served Rural Development in the offices of Sikeston, Perryville, Jackson, Kennett, and Eldon, Missouri; and

Whereas, a former loan officer, James Treece is well-known throughout the Kirksville community for his knowledge of USDA programs and is respected by those individuals who are directly related to and involved with USDA programs including borrowers, board members, architects, engineers, regional planning commissions, and other local and federal agencies; and

Whereas, a proud recipient of the 1999 Governor's Award for Quality and Productivity for his efforts in serving on the water and waste review team, James Treece has presented numerous educational programs to groups and individuals regarding the programs offered and how to obtain funds; and

Whereas, a stellar employee who was honored for his career achievements during a special celebration held December 10, 2001, James Treece has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of his devoted wife, Phyllis:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, unanimously join in expressing our utmost appreciation to James Treece for his thirty-one years and six months of unparalleled service to the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development, and in wishing him the long and enjoyable retirement he so richly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for James A. Treece.

Offered by
Representative Robert J. Behnen
District No. 2
I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 163, adopted January 31, 2002.
Jim Kreider, Speaker

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